

Ad Hoc Series Review Task Force

Individuals that have expressed interest in serving on this group:

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Highlighted names represent individuals Michael has already talked to who are willing to serve on this group.

Statement from the November PoCo Meeting:

The PCC strongly endorses the continuation of optional series authority control by its members, both libraries and vendors, and will appoint a Task Group to consider long-term benefits, costs, and simplifications of series authority control.

Comments from SCS Members Review at ALA Midwinter:

SCS members were most adamant that the ad hoc group should not be charged to document the benefits of series control nor recommend specific changes to existing rules for establishing headings. This would be a very time-consuming work and require in-depth study – and probably would not be very doable.

Ad Hoc Series Review Task Force should be charged to:

- Conduct a comprehensive review of existing PCC documentation and current PCC practice
- Consider the SCS's previous recommendations to:
 - o continue to allow the tracing of series in PCC bibliographic records but no longer to require series tracing
 - o allow the continuation of series authority record contributions (new and modified records) via NACO Series
 - o require that a traced series given in a PCC bib record be supported by a series authority record
- Make suggestions on PCC documentation that needs to be brought up to date
- Determine required data elements for a PCC series authority record (in the spirit of record creation/maintenance simplification)

Time frame: 6 months

Comments from Michael:

- I would also like this group to do a comprehensive scan of previous PCC-sponsored series task groups in order to identify outstanding recommendations that were never acted upon – particularly in the area of record creation simplification. In other words, build on the work of others.
- I would also like something in the charge that states the ad hoc committee must survey the PCC members for ideas and thoughts in meeting their stated charges